

21 ~~20~~. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE
CROWLEY OF NEW YORK, OR HIS DESIGNEE,
DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES:

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**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1815, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. CROWLEY OF NEW YORK**

At the end of title X (page 402, after line 22), add
the following new section:

1 SEC. 1048. SENSE OF CONGRESS RECOGNIZING THE DIVER-
2 SITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED
3 FORCES KILLED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREE-
4 DOM AND OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM
5 AND HONORING THEIR SACRIFICES AND THE
6 SACRIFICES OF THEIR FAMILIES.

7 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

8 (1) Over 1,500 members of the United States
9 Armed Forces have been killed while serving in Op-
10 eration Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring
11 Freedom.

12 (2) The members of the Armed Forces killed in
13 Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring
14 Freedom came from diverse ethnic backgrounds.

15 (3) All of these members of the Armed Forces
16 lost their lives defending the cause of freedom, de-
17 mocracy, and liberty.

18 (4) Diversity is an essential part of the strength
19 of the Armed Forces, in which members having dif-



1 ferent ethnic backgrounds and faiths share the same
2 goal of defending the cause of freedom, democracy,
3 and liberty.

4 (5) The Armed Forces are representative of the
5 diverse culture and backgrounds that make the
6 United States a great nation.

7 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
8 gress that the United States should—

9 (1) recognize and celebrate the diversity of the
10 Armed Forces; and

11 (2) recognize and honor the sacrifices being
12 made by the diverse members of the Armed Forces
13 and their families in the war against terrorism.

